

Department of Defense



Directive for INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT

—Defense-wide Application of the Model installation Management Approach—

PURPOSE

This Directive establishes the DoD installation management policy.

APPLICABILITY

The provisions of this Directive apply to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Defense Agencies (hereafter referred to as "DoD Components").

POLICY

The Commanding Officer of an installation is responsible for accomplishing the mission assigned to the installation, and should be delegated broad authority to decide how best to accomplish the mission, and is accountable for all resources applied to the mission.

Headquarters staff activities shall be directed toward facilitating any installation commander's ability to accomplish the mission. Regulations that limit installation commanders' freedom to do their jobs are contrary to the basic DoD installation management policy, and shall be canceled or revised. Exceptions should be rare.

Except where required to preserve essential wartime support capability, or constrained by law or federal regulation, installation commanders shall be free to purchase goods and services wherever they can get the combination of quality, responsiveness, and cost that best satisfies their requirements.

Unless prohibited by law, a share of any resources saved or earned at an installation should be made available to the installation commander to improve the operations and working and living conditions at the installation.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Heads of DoD components shall ensure that all regulations for which they are responsible comply with the policies contained in this Directive. The DoD Inspector General shall review and report compliance with these policies.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Directive is effective immediately. Forward one copy of implementing documents to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Logistics) within 120 days.

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Date

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